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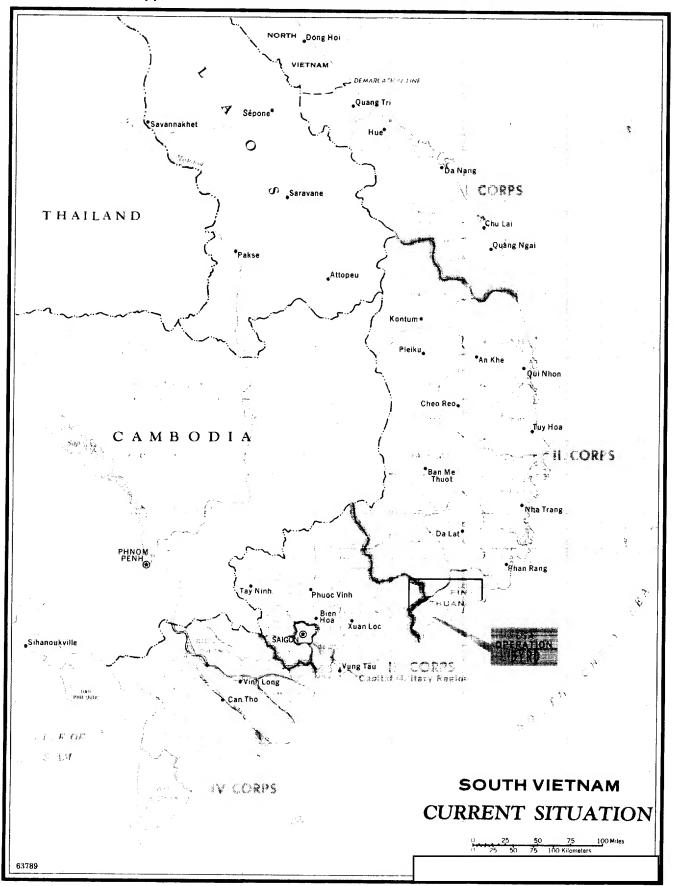
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*South Vietnam: (Information as of 4:30 AM EDT)

The situation is relatively quiet throughout South Vietnam in the wake of the elections.

There was one minor demonstration in the capital of An Xuyen Province yesterday which may have had anti-assembly overtones, but the town remained peaceful. In Saigon, moderate Buddhist leader Tam Chau is expected to make a concerted effort to reassert control over the Buddhist Institute when he returns from a two-month absence on 15 September. Chau's chances of eroding Tri Quang's militant influence within the Institute appear dim, however. (See Map)

On the military front, the Viet Cong suffered moderate casualties in two sharp engagements on 12 September. In Binh Thuan Province, 23 enemy troops were killed by US forces conducting Operation BYRD. There were no US casualties. Farther south, South Vietnamese forces killed 48 enemy troops while sustaining light casualties in an operation in Kien Phong Province.

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NOTE

Burundi: A growing divergence between King Ntare and Prime Minister Micombero is sharply raising political tensions. In recent days they have clashed over the King's effort to fire the leftist-oriented foreign minister, whose pending departure for the UN General Assembly now has been delayed until the differences are ironed out. The Belgian-advised army has not yet taken sides.

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